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The Boers Are Uneasy

They Are Attacking the Troops
at Wepener in a Half-
Hearted Manner.

March of Relieving Column De-
layed by Storms. Situation
at Mafeking.

London, April 18.—Public equanimity has been disturbed by Lord Roberts's long wait and the Boer activity. The commander-in-chief is still three hundred miles from Pretoria. No one doubts the ultimate success of British arms, but behind the British army that crushes the Boer army an army of occupation will have to be installed.

From various sources come hints that more men than are provided for will have to be sent out.

Lord Roberts indicates that at least 10,000 men are advancing to cut off the Boers who are investing Wepener. As there are reports from the Basuto border that firing has been heard in the direction of the hills towards Dewetsdorp, it is possible Gen. Chermiside's advanced troops are already in connection with the Boers.

The commander-in-chief wires that he expects to clear the southeastern section of the Free State, east of the railway, and then swing round to the north and then one after another the positions held by the Boers north of Bloemfontein.

Gen. Buller's prohibition of all press telegrams in Natal until further notice is taken to indicate that a movement is about to begin there.

A Times dispatch from Jammersberg, dated Monday, says: "On Friday the Boers tried to rush Col. Dalgety's left front, but retired after fighting for one hour. Their attack is apparently weakening."

Dispatch from Roberts.

London, April 17.—The following dispatch from Lord Roberts dated Bloemfontein, Tuesday, April 17th has been received:

"Our force at Wepener is still surrounded, but it is reported that the enemy are attacking in a very half-hearted manner and are anxious about the communications. Thinking that forces are approaching Wepener from two directions— one under Gen. Rundle via Reddersburg, another under Gen. Brabant with Gen. Hart's brigade in support via Rouxville.

"On the reoccupation of Rouxville, April 15th, the few Boers there retired, and Gen. Brabant made some important arrests.

"Violent rainstorms somewhat interfered with the march of these columns, but it is hoped they will soon be able to make their presence more decidedly felt."

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For Strathcona's Horse.

Vancouver, April 17.—Thirty applicants presented themselves before Inspector Strickland, who is recruiting for Strathcona's Horse, and eight were chosen. The Vancouver quota are: Charles Grey, Vancouver, from England; J. J. Buchanan, born in Ireland; J. G. Macdonald, born at Ottawa, son of Hon. Wm. Macdonald, Ottawa; A. McArthur, born in England, rancher near Vancouver; P. B. Blackmore, ex-assistant engineer Crow's Nest road, England; W. A. N. Heygate, Victoria, B.C., born in England; P. H. Shuttleworth, Vancouver, rancher, England; A. M. Andrews, Vancouver, English.

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Gen. Buller's report commenting on Gen. Warren's report of the capture and evacuation of Spion Kop, after disputing the correctness of some of Warren's assertions and describing some of the dangerous situations occupied by Warren's force, tells how he saw the force at Spion Kop had given way before Warren knew it. Buller therefore telegraphed to Warren: "Unless you put a really good hard fighting man on top you will lose the hill. I suggest Thorneycroft."

"Gen. Buller continues: "I have not thought it necessary to order an investigation. If at sundown the defence of the summit had been taken in hand, entrenchments laid out and the dead and wounded removed, the whole place would have been brought under regular military command and the hills would have been held, I am sure. But no arrangements were made. Coke appears to have been ordered away just as he would have been useful, and no one succeeded him. Those on top were ignorant of the fact that the guns were coming up, and generally there was

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and see what he thought best was done, and also to the unwarlike and needless assumption of responsibility by a subordinate officer."

The dispatch concludes: "The gratifying feature of these dispatches is the admirable behaviour of the troops throughout the operations."

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matter of record in his department that both before and after the session of 1896 there was a special room set apart for handling campaign literature and tons were sent out containing just such inflammable matter as the Star was now publishing.

Mr. Taylor—How many did you send out in Sherbrooke?

The Minister of Agriculture—I did not frank the Star in Sherbrooke, oh! Nor the Witness either. I followed the practice of ministers in this country ever since the Post Office Act was passed, and the matter I sent out was not such inflammable matter as the Star contained.

Mr. Taylor—Why don't you refer to the Witness?

The Minister of Agriculture—Because the Witness is an honest paper and every paper contained the same report, whereas the Star was a special edition prepared in the office of the Star for circulation where they did not dare to circulate what appeared in their other edition; because the hon. gentleman has lent himself to distribute a dishonest appeal to racial passion, and I feel that he took a great responsibility on himself and showed himself a very disloyal member of the House.

Mr. Taylor—The Witness had the same article.

The Minister of Agriculture—It was the Postmaster-General who, took place of the Minister of Agriculture in Montreal, not the Star's account, and the copies of the Star sent out were not those published in Montreal for circulation in the province of Quebec. It seems to me most deplorable that a member of parliament should circulate a lying account, evidently for a purpose.

Mr. Taylor—You won't say the Star published what was false.

The Minister of Agriculture—I do, emphatically. I say the account the Star gave contains absolutely misstatements and calumnies of what happened in Montreal on the occasion of the demonstration by the Laval students, and that it was done with the special purpose of inflaming the minds of English Protestants of this country against the Laval students because they were French and Roman Catholic.

After some remarks from Mr. Henderson (Halton) the matter dropped.

The House Supply.

The House then went into supply and took up some of the items in the marine department, on which Mr. Taylor attacked the Minister for the prices paid for supplies. Sir Louis Davies replied that there had been no change in the method employed. Some progress was made before the House rose at midnight.

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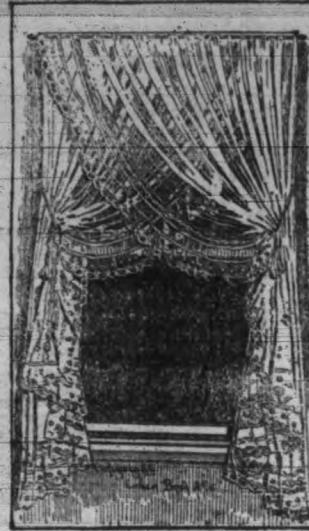
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Coming Performances

Amateur Operas to Which Victorians Will Shortly Be Treated.

"Black Mantle" and "Bridal Trap"—Soloists for the "Messiah" Selected.

Although the "Messiah" is to be presented very shortly, it is not the only amateur performance to which Victorians are to be treated in the near future. On May 14th and 15th Miss Marcella, with a cast composed principally of those who presented "Iolanthe" last year, will present "The Black Mantle," a delightful opera by Buclosel, not previously seen here.

Those composing the cast are as follows:

Girolo—The Belle of Valadas

Miss Leontine Hartnagle

Isabel—Queen of Castile

Miss Schindler—Mad of Honor

Don Luis de Rosamonte—Spanish Officer

Mr. Horatio J. Cave

Don Jose—The King's Chamberlain

Mr. Geo. Phillips

Don Philip of Aragon—King Consort

Mr. J. M. Bradburn

Dromes—A Miller

Mr. C. W. Rhodes

Nicola—A Farmer

Mr. E. Scholfield

Mandy—A Tailor

Mr. W. T. Williams

Hunters, Peasants, Courtiers, Pages

Maids of Honor, etc.

The following vocalists will compose the chorus:

Misses—Mrs. Morrison, Meyer, Jeffry, Daniels, Nicholson, Dunlevy, Short, V. Pauline, Wagner and McFarland.

Altos—Mrs. Humphrey, Misses E. Nicholson, Colquhoun, J. Colquhoun, D. Schi, Gowen, Keele, Powell, S. Pauline and M. Pauline.

Tenors—Messrs. L. York, W. York, J. P. Hibben, Hewett, Elterton, Wilders, Savage and Garforth.

Basses—Messrs. L. H. Trimen, W. T. Williams, F. A. Putter, A. S. Gore, H. Austin, O'Brien, Hayward, Jaegers, Humphrey, Eccles, Ross and P. Austin.

"The Bridal Trap," another of the productions to which Victorians are shortly to be treated, is being rehearsed five times a week under the direction of Mrs. Herbert Kent. The names of those composing the cast are all familiar to Victorians with the exception of Rosette (Miss Editha Carter). Miss Carter has had a good vocal and operatic training in England, having taken parts in the opera of that name given by the Duchess of Sutherland, and of Mabel in the "Pirates of Penzance." The cast is as follows:

Fordland, the Steward

C. W. Rhodes

The Count

H. Kent

Grivelin

Martial

Bel Aar

Rosette

Marion

The Marquise

Marcella

Lancelotte

Javotte

Francine

H. Moxon

W. Allen

Ross Morris

Miss Editha Carter

Miss Stoddart

Mrs. Herbert Kent

Robert Johnston

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BRITAIN AND AFGHANISTAN.

Lahore, Panjabis, April 17.—That Great Britain's attitude toward Afghanistan in connection with Russian designs on Herat does not meet with approval at Kabul, the capital of Afghanistan, is proved by an autograph letter, published with the Ameer's consent, in which, after referring to the various rumors, he says:

"Now, when Afghanistan is overwhelmed on all sides, the British government does not seem to take any interest, but enjoys the pride of aloofness and reserve. When I have had a chance to speak to British officials I have had no response from the government of India, except the suggestion that Afghanistan might consent to the construction of railways and telegraphs. This is impossible, as the Afghans consider that such a step would mean their ruin. Notwithstanding all these troubles, I have proved for the past twenty-one years the firm ally of Great Britain; but now, at the last moment, I must inform my all-powerful ally, that the government of India, that the present is the time for deeds, and not for talking."

The soloists for the "Messiah" have been selected. They will be aided by Miss Beverley Robinson, who sang here last with Madame Altana.

The next rehearsal will be on Friday, in the drill hall, at 8 p.m. The soloists are as follows:

PART I.

Recit. "Comfort Ye My People" "Every Valley Shall Be Exalted" A. T. Goward.

Recit. "Thus Salth the Lord" "Who May Abide" J. P. Jones.

Recit. "Behold A Virgin" "O That That Tellest" Miss Laura Lowen.

Recit. "For Behold Darkness" "The People That Walked Gideon Hicks.

Recit. "There Were Shepherds" "There Is No Man" (Dr. Reft.) "And lo, the Angel of the Lord" (Dr. Reft.)

Recit. "And the Angel Said Unto Them" "And Suddenly" (Dr. Reft.)

Recit. "Rejoice Greatly" "He Is the Righteous Saviour" Mrs. Gregson.

Recit. "Then Shall the Eyes" "We Shall Prey His Flock" Mrs. Jenkins.

Air. "Come Unto Him" Mrs. Green.

PART II.

Air. "He Was Despised" Miss Editha Carter.

Recit. "All They That See Him" E. A. Planta.

Recit. "They Rebuke Hath Broken" E. A. Planta.

Recit. "He Was Cut Off" E. A. Planta.

Air. "But Thou Dost Not Leave" Mrs. Gregson.

Air. "How Beautiful Are The Feet" Miss E. Schi.

Air. "Why Do the Nations" W. H. Barton.

Recit. "He Dwelleth in Heaven" H. J. Cave.

Recit. "Thou Shall Break Them" H. J. Cave.

PART III.

Air. "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" Mrs. F. B. Pemberton.

Recit. "Behold I Tell You a Mystery" Air. "The Trumpet Shall Sound" J. G. Brown.

Air. "Pain from Indigestion, dyspepsia, and too heavy eating, is relieved at once by taking one of Carter's Little Liver Pills immediately after dinner. Don't forget this.

Provincial News.

VANCOUVER.

The Easter vestry of Christ Church was held on Monday evening, with the rector, Rev. L. Norman Tucker, in the chair. The report for 1898-1900, as submitted by the church committee, was adopted as a whole. The election of officers resulted as follows: Churchwardens—Messrs. A. Williams and S. Rickards. The resignation of Mr. W. Dowling, who has acted as people's warden during the past year, was accepted with much regret. Messrs. C. E. Tisdall and J. R. Seymour were unanimously re-elected as sidesmen with the following assistant sidesmen: Messrs. H. J. Cambie, J. G. C. Wood, W. Wright, S. Rickards, A. H. Skeg, J. Cornwall, H. Harvey and K. Dreyer. The committee's report recommends that the rector be given the assistance of a curate in carrying out the arduous duties connected with the parish and the church.

John Gerry, of the Royal City Mills, had his leg very badly fractured on Saturday afternoon. A lot of timber fell on him while he was at work. The Rockwell Quarrymen's Union have decided that, beginning with the first of May, the lowest wages that will be accepted will be \$3 for nine hours' work.

Herbert Cornish, a messenger in the employ of the Electric Dispatch Office, was run over on Monday afternoon by a hack on Granville street. The wheel struck his leg and arm.

News has been received of the drowning of a stone-quarryman on Sunday evening, just off the shore of Saturna Island. He and two friends, all of them novices in the art of sailing, were attempting to reef their canvas and put their combined weight all on one side of the boat, when it capsized. William Sout, the victim, getting both the boat, where his companion, who succeeded in getting ashore, were unable to save him.

"Medicines gave no relief; I had about given up when I finally concluded to investigate and see if it was really true, as I had read in a number of your statements that coffee acted like a poison to some people. It was an easy matter to leave off coffee when I took Postum Food Coffee, for the food coffee tasted as good as the other, and to my surprise, it set good on my weak stomach."

"I have been buying the Postum through my grocer, Mr. Jas. Meyer, and always have followed directions carefully. I liked it from the first and have had no trouble with it. I have gained twenty pounds in weight, my appetite is better than ever before, my sleep perfect, dyspepsia is a thing of the past, and my nerves are what they should be. I can vouch for the statement that Postum Food Coffee makes red blood and plenty of it. My son, Amos Dawley of this city, has been completely cured of dyspepsia in three months by quitting coffee and using Postum Food Coffee. This is given you as an honest testimonial of the priceless value of our (to me) life-saving food drink. You are welcome to use my name if you want." Respectfully,

NELSON.

A probably fatal cutting affray is reported from Fernie. It is stated that an Italian whose name does not appear to be known, stabbed a white man named "Scotty" in the stomach. The Italian escaped and is being hunted by provincial officers.

The first sub-contract on the Balfour extension to be completed will be that of James V. Welch. He will complete his section by the end of this month with the exception of one cut, which will take a week or so longer.

John McLeod, age 21 years, died on Friday at the general hospital of typhoid fever. He was a deck hand aboard the

THE NEW "PUDD'NHEAD."

Burr McIntosh in a Delightful Interpretation of the Famous Role.

Victorians last evening had an opportunity of seeing Pudd'head Wilson, Twain's droll character, interpreted by Burr McIntosh, his successor. The role is the beloved Major. The playing-pieces have had to regard the character named as so distinctively the creation of the elder, and the exclusive property by hereditary right of the younger Mayo that the assumption of the famous role by another is unconsciously regarded as almost an impertinence. Thus handicapped, the performance of Mr. McIntosh last night must be regarded as a distinct triumph, for not only did he give an altogether satisfactory interpretation of the part, but in the minds of some, at least, an interpretation not inferior even to that of Mayo himself.

The ingenious smile, the vague, half-bewildered expression and the pell-mell good nature which are inseparably associated with the part, are all incorporated in Mr. McIntosh's conception of the man. Perhaps his strongest work was in the third act, where the details of the crime, unfolding themselves to the slow-working brain of Pudd'head, are admirably portrayed in the facial expression of the actor. Indeed, when the extremely limited time Mr. McIntosh has had in which to develop his character, is taken into consideration, his performance must be stamped as superb and full of the richest promise for the future.

Of the supporting company, Mrs. Edwin Mayes—Rowley—was particularly well演ed, with the wilful murder of Mr. Goodell. The Queen has decided to revert to her original plan, and will leave Ireland on April 26th, reaching Windsor the following morning.

The Minister of Militia has selected fourteen Military College cadets for commissions in the British army. Thirty other commissions are given to Canadians, and candidates for these will be selected by His Excellency, the Governor-General. Twenty-four will go to officers in South Africa, and Lord Roberts has been requested to transmit the names of candidates to the Canadian militia.

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The body of Chief of Police Main, of St. John's, who left on Saturday morning to search Chinese shacks for stolen goods, was found yesterday buried about a hundred yards from the shacks. The body was horribly hacked with an axe, and the dead man's dog lay beside his master's body with its throat cut.

REMARKABLE CURE OF RHEUMATISM.

Kearns, Jackson Co., W. Va.

About three years ago my wife had an attack of rheumatism which confined her to bed for over a month and rendered her unable to walk a step without assistance, her limbs being swollen to double their normal size. Mr. S. Maddox insisted on my using Chamberlain's Pain Balsam. I purchased a fifty-cent bottle and used it according to the directions and the next morning she walked to breakfast without assistance in any manner, and she has not had a similar attack since. A. B. Parsons, For sale by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

THE CO



STREET PAVING.

The Times has no desire to nor could it gain anything by misrepresenting the position of any of the aldermen on the question of street paving. There was a belief current in the city, mistakenly, we now suppose, that a certain sum had been appropriated and would be spent this year in permanent improvements on certain streets. At all events, it was confidently expected that this work would be under way ere this, as the letter of the street railway manager proves. There is a wide-spread feeling of disappointment that nothing has been done to make Victoria's principal streets as trim and neat, in appearance as the thoroughfares of all other up-to-date cities, in some cases, much less importance, it appears the aldermen are not to blame for this as the funds are not available, being impossible to devote the money ordinarily devoted to street repairs for this commendable object. The local political crisis seems to have effected a temporary disturbance in municipal affairs also, for we are told that if it had not occurred power might have been conferred on our city legislators which would have averted the present trouble. There is probability, apparently, of such power being secured in time to allow of the needed improvements being proceeded with this year, and the next council may develop a programme which will cause further delay, but we shall live in hopes, like Micawber, of "something turning up."

ROBERTS'S TASK.

Evidently the British commander-in-chief does not propose to begin the movement which will terminate before Portia until he has his army in what he considers good form in every way for the task which lies before it. Officers whose records show incapacity for command are to be succeeded by those whose fitness for such work has been demonstrated, while the dispatches yesterday show that Lord Roberts, although admittedly a man who would be the last to inflict unnecessary pain or humiliation on those under him, is not to be deterred from his duty to the country he serves by any lack of the faculty of plain-speaking. When the lives of hundreds, sometimes thousands, of men and the reputation of the British army are at stake, a display of reckless valor makes no atonement for neglect of ordinary precautions in face of an enemy who is admittedly the most formidable ever faced by Britons on the field of battle. Any army ever mobilized would have to undergo the same weeding process as is now proceeding in South Africa. Actual work done is after all the real test of fitness in the military as in every other walk of life, and it is only those who go through the preliminary ordeal successfully who should be advanced to the posts of responsibility which in the progress of war become so woefully numerous.

Those who have the best means of knowing say there is no necessity for haste in the northern movement. The Boers are exhausting themselves and their resources by their present tactics, while the British are every day adding to their strength. It is no easy task to transport supplies over a railway about one thousand miles in length for between 75,000 and 100,000 men, besides guarding the same through a country the inhabitants of which would be quite pleased to obstruct and destroy them, but Kitchener and Giroard are men of resource and determination, and the country has absolute faith in the successful carrying out of their part of the undertaking. The experts say the indications point to an early advance, but they are really only guessing as usual, for when a move is made it will not be advertised to the world for the benefit of the Boers. There is one thing the whole country would be pleased to hear of; intelligence of the relief of the gallant defenders of Mafeking. If that were only vouchsafed, tidings of further operations would be awaited with comparative equanimity, as the utmost confidence is reposed in the ability of the present force to speedily terminate the conflict when the time arrives to strike the final blow.

PUBLISHING UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

The story of the trials and tribulations of newspaper men has often been told, and the public is now somewhat familiar with the old, old tale of the difficulties encountered in this scrofulous valley by those who are commonly held to be mere eminence in life but too pleased even to print only those things which shall find favor in the eyes of the multitude. To-day we have the pleasure of perusing and exchanging the contents of which make us satisfied with our lot. As newspaper men we have our trials in Victoria, but are seldom bombarded with anything more deadly than communications from our old friend Vagratis and his companion-in-arms, Pro Bono. Publico, while it must be confessed that the temptation to fly away and be at rest from fusillades on the political situation and the shortcomings of our poor, unfortunate harbor, are the only longings to which our heart is subject. Through the enterprise of the London Daily Mail we have before us to-day a fac-simile copy of the Mafeking Mail, the original of which eluded the Boers through the cunning and resource of a native runner. He carried it about 230 miles in the soles of his boots, and it was more worn and tattered when it reached Kimberley than a copy of the Times would be after passing through the hands of its customary

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Some People

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 18.—A ridge of moderate high pressure extends along the Coast from Vancouver Island to San Francisco; from thence eastward to the Lakes area of low pressure of considerable energy covers the entire region, its centre reading 29.90 at Swift Current. Light snow is falling at Barkerville, and rain at Tacoma.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday. Victoria and vicinity—Moderate winds, partly fair, not much change in temperature.

Lower Mainland—Partly cloudy, not much change in temperature.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 29.97; temperature, 46; minimum, 46; wind, 8 miles W.; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 29.98; temperature, 44; minimum, 44; wind, calm; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.90; temperature, 46; minimum, 24; wind, 4 miles N.; snow, trace; weather, snow.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.02; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 8 miles S. W.; weather, cloudy.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Be sure and see Victoria City Band's initial appearance April 25th.

Bicycle Repairing—If it can be fixed Weiler Bros. can do it. Bamber Cycley.

Have you seen the latest in Khaki suits at 37 Johnson street? McCandless Bros.

Tea Pots, Jugs and other goods in great variety just opened at B. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street.

Trees Pruners, Pruning Knives, Hedge Trimmers and Garden Tools cheap for cash, at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 56 Douglas street.

F. J. Hall, one of the pioneer grocers, has reopened with a full line of general groceries and provisions at 82 Douglas street, and will be pleased to receive the continued patronage of his numerous friends.

All the newest patterns for Spring in Tailor-made Suits at Fit-Reform Wardrobe.

Fruit Boxes—A full line of strawberry, plum and small fruit baskets, and crates, apple and pear boxes, also butter pictures, can be had in any quantities at F. R. Stewart & Co.'s, wholesale grocer, and fruit merchants, 40 Yates street, who have secured the agency of the British Columbia Mkt. Co., Ltd., New Westminster. Call and inspect before purchasing elsewhere.

Just received, direct, a splendid assortment of trout flies. Inspection invited. Henry Short & Sons, 72 Douglas street.

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We solicit bicycle repair work. Prepared to replace broken rims, fitting of new tires, and do brazing. Weiler Bros. Bamber Cycley.

You see? Aik never gets at the tea after it is once packed. It is exposed for the first time in your pantry. That is why Honki Ceylon Tea is so fragrant.

Floral Cantata.—Reserved seat tickets for the Floral Cantata, which takes place at the A.O.U.W. Hall, on April 25th, now on sale at Lombard's, Fort Street.

Khaki suits for men, boys and children; also riding and bicycle pants. McCandless Bros., 37 Johnson street.

Smokers.—Mr. A. G. Franklin, for the past several years employee of G. A. Morris, Tobacconist, can be seen at Frank Campbell's cigar store, Old Post Office, Government street. Hello Frank & Bert.

John Lovell, of this city, is erecting in Vancouver a three-story brick building on Carrall street, the contract having been awarded to union men a few days ago. Work is now being carried on excavating for the basement.

Clarissa Sinclair, the eminent descriptive singer, at Savoy.

Between 4 and 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon the fire department was called to a cabin on Store street, adjoining Robertson's iron works, where sparks had set fire to the roof. The blaze was soon extinguished by the firemen, whose exertions prevented the spread of the flames to the adjoining premises. She was rapidly filling when found, and had the captain and crew not again found her as quick as they did, she must have founders.

Captain Magnesses tells the story of the accident to the little steamer as follows: "We made fairly good headway after leaving here until when, at 8 o'clock on Friday morning last, we carried away our crank shaft. Although it could not be said that a storm was raging, there was a heavy sea and heavy weather from the westward. When we found that the shaft was broken there was nothing we could do but drift just wherever the winds and tides carried us, and as we did not know when we would be sighted by a vessel, we decided that all hands should leave her, and pull for the shore in one of the ship's boats. We were then about seven miles out from Long Beach, not far from Ucluelet. With the two Chinamen there were six of us in the boat.

"When we landed, the steamer was

soon out of sight, and we did not know if we would ever be able to get a hold of her again. We watched her for a few moments and then tried to find the trail for Clayoquot, where we knew there would be some sloops or some vessels in which we might be able to send out and try to pick up the steamer. We searched for quite a while, but could not find the trail. At last, despairing of finding the trail, we broke into the woods and attempted to go through the bush in the direction of Clayoquot.

The old saying that "there are as good fish in the brook as have ever been caught" is not applicable to the matrimonial market in a certain portion of Oregon, as the following epistolary gem just received by Postmaster Shakes fairly strikingly indicates: "Dear Sir—

Would you be so kind as to help me a little do you know a good man from 40 to 42 or 38 that wants like to scarpard (correspond) with nice widow-ladie got some propeart and too children would like to hear from some nice man that don drinkin." The above ingenious com- monication is duly dated and signed, and in all probability the enterprise of the lad will ultimately be rewarded.

—Hear the DeGosca Bros., musical experts, at Savoy to-night.

—While canoeing on Saanich Inlet, Richard, son of Rev. Mr. Christmas, had the misfortune to capsise, but managed to secure a firm grasp of his craft and keep his head above water. An Indian whose attention was directed to the lad's predicament put out in a boat, but instead of rescuing him, commenced to deal with the matter in the light of a financial transaction, offering to restore Richard to terra firma for the modest sum of \$10, and the canoe. This offer was indignantly refused, the party in the water refusing that he would swim ashore before he would pay such an exorbitant sum. Whereupon the aboriginal financer prepared to leave with the remark: "Good-bye, you can go down." The situation then became too serious for trifling, and upon being offered \$5 and the canoe the Indian methodically rescued Richard from a watery grave.

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The variety and excellence of this Spring's stock at Fit-Reform Wardrobe excels that of all former seasons.

Willie Collier and his own new farce entitled "Mr. Smooth" will appear at the Victoria theatre on Friday evening.

Mr. Nixon, of the Chicago Inter-Ocean, has the following to say about this clever comedian: "At the Grand this week Mr. Willie Collier is revealing himself as comedian and playwright. Mr. Collier somewhat modestly calls his first essay as an author a 'farce' and presents three acts of lively wit under the title of 'Mr. Smooth.' And it turns out that while the plot of this piece is distinctly farcical, its lines and treatment are far above the average offering so classified. 'Mr. Smooth' is indisputably a clever effort, and clever in this case is not missed. The story which is on the familiar lines of a mistaken identity, is not so much to be considered as the construction and the conversational effects, although there is no lack of ingenuity in the plot."

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Clayoquot Almost Lost

The Steamer abandoned by Her Company and Picked Up Later by a Sloop.

Broke Her Shaft Off the West Coast—Was Rapidly Filling When Towed In.

taking in water. It was 8 o'clock in the morning when we got our first glimpse of her pitching in the sea, and three hours later we came alongside and moored the sloop to her.

Examination of the hold showed plainly the cause of the list. She had some three feet of water in her hold, and the water had started the brick work in which the boiler was imbedded. It was fortunate that we found her when we did for had our coming to her been long delayed she must have founders. She would not have lasted many hours longer, for with every roll she gave she ship a lot of water, and when the brick work gave the boiler would have shifted, giving her still more water, and making her ship more water. When she was picked up she was about nine miles off Ucluelet, drifting to the coast.

"When we saw her we knew there was in her, we fixed a line to her and began to tow her for the short tow from Ucluelet, with the sloop. The wind was favorable, or the little sloop craft would never have been able to tow the steamer in. As it was we had a hard time.

"When coming in towards the anchorage the sloop had to tack and anchor, and then we hauled the line in by hand, bringing up the steamer, then we made another tack and so on until we at length got her to an anchorage at 11 o'clock at night, after working the whole day, although when I found her, she was more than nine miles from Ucluelet. We anchored her at Ucluelet and waited until the Willapa came down, bringing the Chinamen and Rappe, who were glad to see us again. The Willapa took us to tow and brought us down."

"The crank shaft will be repaired and other necessary repairs made to the steamer, and she will leave again for the coast.

—Try the Native Sons Cigar, manufactured by Meiss & Co.

The legislative committee of the Trades and Labor Council met last night and drafted a political platform, which will be submitted to to-night's meeting.

A meeting of the representatives of the British Columbia and Puget Sound Steamship Association was held at the office of C.P.N. Co., Ltd., this morning.

The usual routine business was transacted.

—British Columbia people going to Spokane, Butte, Helena, Minneapolis, St. Paul, or the East, will enjoy the luxuries case afforded by the Northern Pacific's new North Coast Limited, in service on and after April 29th. Up-to-date Standard Pullmans and the crack tourist cars of the Northwest on this new train.

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—Now, my dear sir, if you will kindly fix this up to suit yourself, you will make one great man-and-family happy, and I shall be able to partially thank Mr. Lindsay for his heroism, and to congratulate Victoria upon having so noble a son. I should certainly have died alone on the frozen wilderness had it not been for him."

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Land of Milk and Honey

Mr. Charles E. Hands Tells of His Journey into the Free State.

How a Transport Train Travels—The Boers Seize an Opportunity

Jacobobal.

"You just wait," we had been saying to one another as we tried to look through the dust-storms that mercifully veiled the hideousness of the deserts of the western country. "Only wait," we said, "until we get into the Free State. That's level, you know. Not a beastly collection of kopjes, sticking up in the sand like this. And there are rivers, you know, all about; and of course it's a fertile country; absolutely reeks of milk and honey. Why, as likely as not there are eggs to be had, and butter. How do you think a dish of ham and eggs would do down now?"

"Shut up, you beast," we said, as we chewed persistently on South African railway station leather food. "Ham and eggs! If we could only get some!"

Well, I crossed the border from the colony into the Orange Free State by striking across the veldt due east from Eoslin, and I had got miles inside the enemy's territory before I found it out, and then somebody told me.

My horse, however, knew—at least I feel sure that he did, for I remembered afterwards that a few miles out of Eoslin he suddenly, for no apparent reason, stopped short, spread his forelegs, and obstinately refused to go any further.

I had to reapproach him with a sjambok, and reason with him until Boer spurs for some time before I persuaded him to alter his mind. Even then he went very grudgingly, until

He Grew Resigned to It.

I hated him at the time, but now I rather like him for his shocking misbehavior.

For I am now convinced that the poor brute knew he was crossing the invisible frontier line, and was trying to convey to me that the Orange Free State was no place for any self-respecting man or beast to go without protest.

It is a wonderful instinct that we call horse sense. The animal was perfectly right.

The first place of any importance I visited in the Free State was Randam. You will find it marked on the maps. It owes its importance to its geographical situation, since the roads from the railway stations between Orange River and Modder River converge there. The roads go to it because it is so fortunate as to be situated by the margin of a putrid lake of stagnant water at which the trek ox, who is a stupid, stolid, ignorant beast, will condescend to drink. As thousands of trek oxen pass along the road the city of Randam enjoys a great deal of profitable custom.

The city proper consists of two hovels, a pile of loose boulders, around the base of which half a dozen wild cactus bushes straggle, and the aforesaid putrid dam. The remainder of the town and the suburbs is just ordinary Cape Colony karoo over which the wheel tracks of the road last wagon that passed mark the road.

A good many wagons had been passing eastward through Randam lately, and there was no doubt as to which was the road to Riet River Drift. It was two or three hundred yards wide and several yards deep.

In Loose-Churned Sand.

I ploughed through it for miles, till a rain and hail storm burst, and then the horses and I had to wade.

Later in the afternoon a long, steady climb terminated in a koppie—just an ordinary boulder heap of the kind we all knew the Orange Free State was quite free of. And from the highest point of the track where it wound round the base of the boulders there was a view beyond of a long stretch of plain gently sloping away to a hollow in which a cloud of soft grey dust lay like a lake, showing where the feet of an army were tramping the sand.

And out of the dust lake the conical top of another koppie rose like a volcanic island.

Beyond the conical koppie was the hard, straight line of the other kind of koppie, the table-top kind, and beyond, again, was the irregular hog-back roll of the other kind of koppie—I don't know what they call this sort.

The sky-line at the top of the rising veldt miles and miles and miles away was broken by other kopjes, and the

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THE BEST IN THE WORLD.

WE BELIEVE CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY IS THE BEST IN THE WORLD. A FEW WEEKS AGO WE SUFFERED WITH A SEVERE COLD, AND A TROUBLESOME COUGH, AND HAVING READ THEIR ADVERTISEMENTS IN OUR OWN AND OTHER PAPERS WE PURCHASED A BOTTLE TO SEE HOW IT WOULD AFFECT US. IT CURED US BEFORE THE BOTTLE WAS MORE THAN HALF USED.

IT IS THE BEST MEDICINE OUT FOR COLDS AND COUGHS.—THE HERALD, ANDERSONVILLE, IND.

FOR SALE BY HENDERSON BROS., WHOLESALE AGENTS, VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER.

THE CAPTURED CONVOY.

THE LONG COLUMN OF THE SEVENTH DIVISION, WITH WHICH WENT AN IRON-GRAY, IRON-LIMBED, IRON-WILLED LOOKING MAN—THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF—MOVED OFF IN THE DARKNESS.

MY LITTLE BOER HORSE HAD HAD A LONG HARD DAY. I COULD TAKE HIM NO FURTHER NIGHT.

THE NEXT MEAL WAS ONLY FIFTEEN OR SIXTEEN MILES AWAY, AND THE SUPPLY CONVOY WOULD EASILY CATCH UP IN THE MORNING.

SO I DID THE ONLY THING POSSIBLE: GOT HIM WATER AND FOOD, AND CURLED MYSELF UP UNDER MY WING AND A WAGON.

WHEN THE LIGHT CAME I UNCURLED MYSELF AND LOOKED ROUND.

THE SEVENTH DIVISION HAD VANISHED, LEAVING DEEPLY-CHURNED SAND TO SHOW WHERE IT HAD SQUATTED ITSELF DOWN, AND WHICH WAY ITS FEET AND HOOF AND WAGON WHEELS HAD TAKEN.

BUT THOUGH THE ARMY HAD GONE THERE REMAINED: A CITY OF WAGONS AND A POPULATION: A CITY OF WAGONS AND A POPULATION: A CITY OF WAGONS AND A POPULATION.

WERE THERE STREETS AND STREETS OF WAGONS RANGED IN DOUBLE ROWS, THERE WERE HORSES OF OXEN, THERE WERE SUN-BURNED, BEARDED, LONG-LEGGED, SLOUCH-HATTED COLONIAL WAGON TRAIN CONDUCTORS AND NIGER OX DRIVERS, CARRYING IMMENSE BAMBOO WHIPS. SOME OF THE WAGONS WERE STILL ON THE FURTHER SIDE OF THE DRY, DEEP SAND RAVINE, WHICH IS MARKED ON THE MAP AS THE RIET RIVER.

IN THE NIGHT EVERYTHING HAD GONE WAY TO THE PASSAGE OF THE TROOPS, INCLUDING THE WAGON IN WHICH MY OWN BELONGINGS WERE.

BUT THAT THE TROOPS HAD GONE ON THE REMAINDER OF THE WAGONS WERE BEING BROUGHT ACROSS, AND DOWN AT THE DRIFT YOU COULD SEE WHAT THE LONG DOUBLED-HANDED BAMBOO WHIPS WERE FOR.

THE DRIFT IS THE WAGON ROAD ACROSS THE RIVER, WHICH SCORES THE LEVEL VELD LIKE A HUGELY WIDE AND DEEP RAILWAY CUTTING.

A WAGON DRAWN BY EIGHT PAIRS OF OXEN WOULD COME WITH MUCH WHIP CRACKING AND NIGER SHOUTING THROUGH THE SAND ON THE LEVEL. WHEN IT REACHED THE EDGE OF THE DRIFT IT TILTED TO AN ANGLE OF FORTY-FIVE, AND PLUNGED DOWN INTO THE BED OF THE RIVER. HALF-WAY DOWN THE SLIDE TOOK A SHARP BEND TO THE LEFT. AT THE BOTTOM WERE TWO STAGNANT POOLS, BETWEEN WHICH, THREE FEET DEEP IN LOOSE SAND, THE ROAD LED FOR A HUNDRED YARDS BEFORE IT TOOK A TURN TO THE RIGHT AND CLIMBED THE OTHER BANK BY A SIMILAR ASCENT.

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"WERE THERE ANY TROOPS ON THE KOPJE?" I ASKED.

"OH, NO. WHY SHOULD THERE BE? THERE WAS NOT A BOER LEFT IN THE COUNTRY. NOT A BOER; NOT A SINGLE BOER."

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CRACK, POP, WHAM! IN THE WORLD WAS THAT! THE MEN CAME RUSHING IN WITH THE NEWS.

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Permanent Pavements

The Text for Much Discussion at Last Night's Meeting of City Council.

City Has No Money to Appropri- ate for the Needed Street Improvements.

The aldermen who sit in a semi-circle before Mayor Hayward at the city hall to talk over the affairs of the city were given a text for much discussion by the following letter submitted to the council by Albert T. Goward, local manager of the Tramway Company.

Gentlemen.—It beg respectfully to draw your attention to a letter which I received from your honorable body, dated February 6th, and which reads as follows:

A. T. Goward, Esq., Local Manager B. C. Electric Ry. Co., Ltd.

Sir—I have the honor to acquaint you for the information of your company that it is the intention of the corporation to commence the work of paving Yates street between Government and Broad streets, at an early date, and to request that your company will be good enough to take such action in regard to your track-line on the street as may facilitate the work about to be undertaken.

I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

W. J. DOWLER.

C. M. C.

My company has accordingly made such arrangements, financial, as to special work for the corner of Government and Yates streets and the special rail required where streets are block paved, in this case costing several thousand dollars, have been ordered, and are now under construction.

As the expenditure has been undertaken entirely at the request of the city council, and as this special material is useless except for that part of our track for which it is specially designed, I trust there will be no delay in carrying out the original intention of block paving Yates street from Government to Douglas streets.

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Local Manager.

Ald. Beckwith spoke at length on this matter. He moved that the writer be informed that the council would take up the matter of street paving at as early a date as possible, but had no funds at present.

Ald. Beckwith did not think that the council were much to blame, but he was sorry that the Tramway Company had been put to any inconvenience. He recalled, however, that the city had been put to great inconvenience by the Tramway Company in the matter of East street. He read from a number of editorials on the subject of street paving in the local papers. The papers were not to blame, however, the alderman said, in desiring to go on, but to say, as some had, that the money was being diverted in other channels, was not right.

He read from the Colonist of April 4th: "Very slow is the progress of the city council toward permanent street work this year. The last month decided to pave Broad street between Yates and Fan street, and Yates between Government and Douglas, and lay permanent sidewalks over the same distance. But nothing is being done, and it is proposed by one alderman to spend the money that might be used for this purpose on permanent sidewalks on the lower part of Yates street." That contention was entirely wrong, the council never proposed taking the money out of the general revenue. This placed the council before the public in a manner that was not right.

He read also from the Colonist of April 14th: "There was in this issue an article on street paving which went into the matter extensively. This was simply startling—it startled him. The first thought that struck him on reading this was that when articles of this kind were prepared for the press it was unfortunate that the real facts were not given. It was misleading.

He quoted also from the Times of April 14th: "We thought it was generally agreed that the work of paving the streets of Victoria was to be prosecuted with vigor until the business portions of our city at least should bear some resemblance to the thoroughfares of a modern town. It was decided by the council of last year that certain work of this kind would be done, and of course this may have no binding effect on the actions of this year's board, if these provisions were considered necessary last year, the conditions remain the same now. We believe it is contemplated to divert the funds which might be used for this purpose to some other object, such as sidewalks and various other improvements."

He contended that it never was the intention of the council to divert money from regular street purposes to other purposes. He could hardly blame the press for taking the matter up in the light of information, evidently given them hurriedly by persons anxious to get their views aired. If the council wanted to do the work they must set means to get the money outside the general revenue. The only chance was to make arrangements for raising more money. If the majority of the aldermen were against an extra mill being levied for this purpose, then something should be done to decide the matter.

The motion of Ald. Beckwith was seconded by Ald. Yates, with the remarks: "The press being cut out, however, as the second put it."

Ald. Beckwith said he had not intended to censure the press, but wanted to put the matter fairly before the public.

Ald. Williams said if street paving was to be done, it would be a good thing for the city to have it under way by the Queen's Birthday.

Ald. Beckwith wanted to substantiate what Ald. Beckwith had said. He had not understood that the council would undertake to do permanent paving out of the revenue.

The Mayor said that he thought the

tramway people were being treated unfairly. The council had deliberately notified them that they intended to proceed with the work at an early date. It was too late to back out of doing the work.

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Ald. Beckwith pointed out that the money for this work was not to be taken out of the revenue.

Ald. Brydon said that the ratepayers were willing that the council should raise the money and proceed with the work.

The Mayor here remarked that he would like Ald. Beckwith to include in his motion which he was then putting in writing what he meant and not further mislead the Tramway Company.

The council could have taken the money.

Ald. Beckwith said that no one considered that street paving would be taken up only under the local improvement plan. There was so much territory to cover and so little money that we know what result there would be if the council took half the money for street purposes and put it in the work of paving Yates and Broad streets. There would be a howl and next year there would be a new council.

An Alderman (sotto voce). Be a good thing.

Ald. Beckwith—It might.

Ald. Stewart said all the members of the board were of the opinion that they must borrow the money. If the council took nearly \$10,000 of the revenue for streets there would be just cause for complaint.

Even though all were anxious to do street work, funds for this work could never be taken out of the revenue.

Ald. Beckwith said if notice had been sent to the Tramway Company it had been done through misunderstanding.

Ald. Brydon said his proposition was that another mill should be levied on the dollar. This was what the council and Ald. Hall and Brydon.

Ald. Williams & Co. wrote asking that the permanent sidewalk be laid at once in front of their new store on Yates street. Received and filed and the city clerk instructed to notify the writers that the council will proceed with the work at their earliest possible convenience.

S. P. Mills wrote enclosing the letters of D. R. Harris and a bill for work done in connection with the preparations for boring the harbor, amounting in all to \$1,274.29. Together with the bill was a copy of an assignment of D. R. Harris to the writer.

The communication puzzled Ald. Kinsman. He wanted to know if Mr. Harris had done the work or Mr. Mills. Did Mr. Harris want to be paid without doing the work? He for one would not agree to the payment of this money unless forced to.

The city solicitors reported in reference to the claim of Mr. Harris for \$1,274.29. They said of depositing the claim of Mr. Harris they were at a loss to understand what the basis of the claim was made, as sufficient details were not given. The outlay was done in anticipation of a contract to be awarded by the city, but in view that no contract had been signed the city were not liable to Mr. Harris. Mr. Harris had been put to some expense in being led to assume that the contract would be given to him, and this view should be taken into consideration, and they to deal with Mr. Harris as they saw fit.

The motion was then put and carried.

A. T. Goward also wrote on behalf of the Tramway Company, offering to supply electric power to run the pumping station at 4 cents per kw. current. Received and laid on table.

T. H. Eaton, superintendent of city schools, wrote enclosing his special report to the board of school trustees, telling of the falling off of attendance in the city schools, causing a loss of \$1,350 in the capita grant. Received and filed.

H. Davis Helmcken called attention to the condition of the old cemetery, and asked that action be taken to place it in good order. He was aware of the contention in regard to the title, but under the circumstances it was hardly likely that any objection could be made to a small appropriation for the building of fences, clearing walks, etc. Received and referred to the cemetery committee.

The Mayor here took occasion to state that he had instructed Mr. Windus to make a raid on the Japanese, who have landed and collect the \$5 tax. Mr. Windus reports of his visit to the Japanese boarding houses as follows: At 53 Charlotte street he found 119 Japs with posey ports. Of these 42 will leave for Seattle on the 18th and 77 for San Francisco on the 19th, leaving only 4. There were in all 377 in the Japanese boarding houses of the city, and out of these but 21 were permanent roomers. The collector was afraid he would not be able to collect the tax.

Ald. Kinsman was of the opinion that it did not matter where they were going. When they came here the tax should be collected from them.

Thomas Hooper wrote to say that as the contract for permanent sidewalks in front of the Leiser and Earle buildings on lower Yates street had been let, the specifications calling for the work to be done to the satisfaction of the city engineer, he asked that the city permit the contractors to go on with the work, or take over the materials which they had got in readiness.

Ald. Cooley moved that the contractors be allowed to finish the contract.

Ald. Williams seconded the motion. He thought the contractors should not be interfered with.

Ald. Brydon was of the opinion that it would be unsatisfactory to have the work done in patches. He moved an amendment that the former resolution that the work be done by the city be carried out.

Ald. Stewart said the council should decide no do this paving at the start. They were wasting time. They had tended still before them, which were waiting consideration, for the curbing. Good working weather was being wasted and too much time was being spent in wrangling. The weather as it got warmer was not as good for cement work as now.

Ald. Beckwith did not see that Mr. Hooper could have any kick, and he seconded the amendment of Ald. Brydon, that the work be done at as early date as decided by the council. The amendment carried.

A letter from the same writer, Mr. Hooper, asking for a refund of one-third of the amount expended for the permanent sidewalk in front of the Victoria Hotel. Referred to the city engineer.

William Prost wrote asking for the position of special collector of taxes from the incoming Japanese.

Ald. Williams suggested that it might be well to appoint a special collector.

Ald. Kinsman said the matter was an important one, for if all the revenue were collected the council might get enough money to solve the question of finances for permanent paving.

The matter was left in the hands of the mayor.

William Knox complained of the unsanitary condition of a yard at the back of the Kick Club on Douglas street. Referred to the sanitary inspector.

John Shoberlin wrote complaining of the fever-bredding condition of the drain in front of his premises on Oscar street.

This was also referred to the sanitary inspector.

Mrs. Maria Grant wrote as follows on behalf of the W. C. T. U.:

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